

# Want to learn how to graft and propagate any fruiting plant?

## Fruit Grafting and Propagation All Day Intensive

When: **Saturday, April 7, 2012**, 9 AM to 5 PM

Where: 912 Woodfolk Drive, Charlottesville VA, 22902

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Cost: \$50, checks made payable to Living Energy Farm

We will start in the morning with hands-on instruction in fruit propagation. Participants will learn how to prepare fruit tree seeds for planting, how to root fruiting plants, and how to graft. Numerous propagation techniques will be demonstrated, including:

**Whip and tongue grafting and saddle grafting for young trees. Bark grafting and cleft grafting for more mature rootstock. Specialized grafting for nuts and hardwoods. Chip bud and tee bud grafting. Rooting cuttings, ground and air layering. Specialized techniques for propagating blueberries and hard to root plants.**

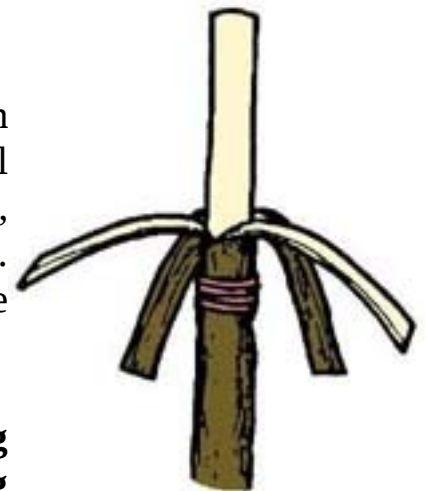
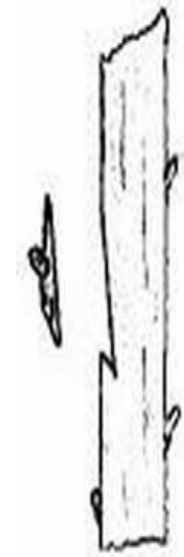


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Later in the day we will have a more general discussion of growing fruit and nuts in Virginia without pesticides and fungicides. The focus will be on techniques that can be used at home with a minimum of tools and expense.

**Each participant will have the opportunity to take home five fruit trees that they graft themselves.** Rootstock and scions (grafting wood) will be provided, as well as a grafting knife. The order of activities in this year's workshop will be reversed from last year, with propagation instruction in the morning and a more general focus on fruit growing issues in the afternoon.

